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POSITIVE COMMERCIAL PAYOR POLICY COVERING coflex® FOR THE SURGICAL TREATMENT OF LUMBAR SPINAL STENOSIS

- **Broad coverage policy issued by BlueCross BlueShield of North Dakota (BCBS ND)**
- **BCBS ND is the largest commercial payor North Dakota**
- **Policy covers coflex® Interlaminar Stabilization®**
- **coflex® is a non-fusion, motion-preserving implant for treatment of lumbar spinal stenosis**
- **Lumbar spinal stenosis affects 1.6 million U.S. patients annually**

New York, NY September 25, 2018 – Paradigm Spine, LLC, a leader in providing motion preservation solutions for the treatment of lumbar spinal stenosis, today announced issuance of a BlueCross BlueShield of North Dakota Medical Policy, entitled "Interspinous and Interlaminar Stabilization/Distraction Devices (Spacers)" dated July 2018.

Lumbar spinal stenosis ("LSS"), affecting 1.6 million patients annually, is a debilitating and degenerative disease in older patients (>50 years) often associated with significant leg and back pain, leg numbness and weakness, causing a significant reduction in an active lifestyle. Traditional surgical treatment options for LSS includes a decompression that removes bone and soft tissue and may also require a fusion to stabilize the spine. The coflex® device is a non-fusion, motion-preserving stabilization implant, that is FDA PMA approved for the treatment of lumbar spinal stenosis and is used in conjunction with a decompression, or used in lieu of a spinal fusion.

Marc Viscogliosi, Chairman & CEO, said, "With more than 90 peer-reviewed published articles, including landmark long-term follow-up clinical studies, spine medical society guidelines, and now with additional commercial insurance coverage, it is wonderful to be able to expand patient access to the coflex® technology."

To learn more about coflex® Interlaminar Stabilization®, please visit www.coflexsolution.com.

About Paradigm Spine, LLC
Paradigm Spine, LLC, founded in 2004, is a privately held company and remains focused on the design and development of solutions for the disease management of spinal stenosis. The Company's signature product is the coflex® Interlaminar Stabilization® device, which is currently used in over 60 countries worldwide. coflex® is the only lumbar spinal device that has produced Level I evidence in two separate prospective, randomized, controlled studies against two different control groups, changing the standard of care for lumbar spinal stenosis treatment. For additional information visit www.paradigmspine.com or www.coflexsolution.com.